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 THE RISK OF SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION AND/OR EXPLOSION
 OF AN EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERE

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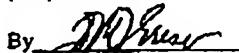
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